

NIST Cloud Computing Standards Roadmap Working Group (CCSRWG)

NIST Cloud Computing
Forum and Workshop III

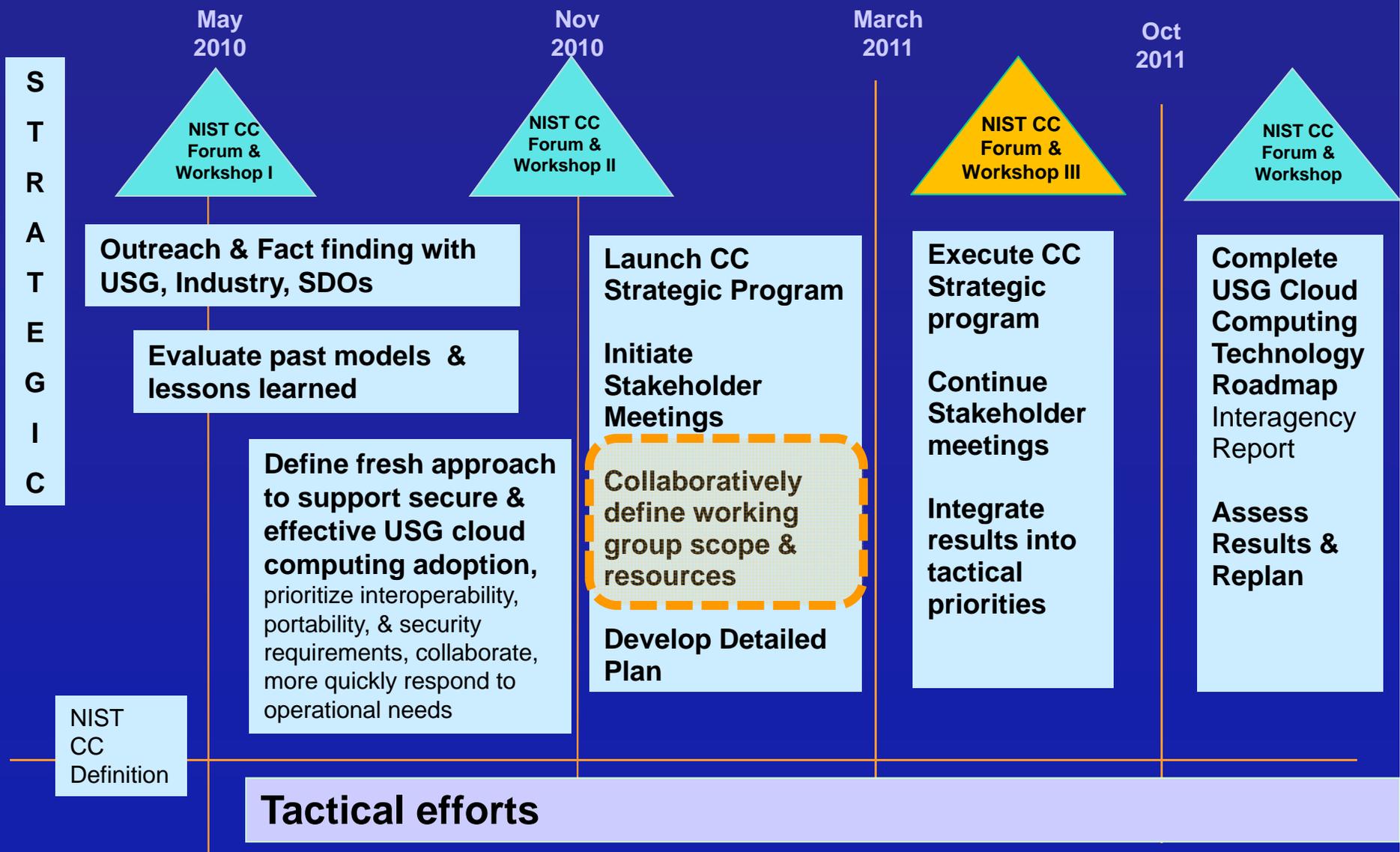
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NIST Cloud Computing Program Timeline



USG Cloud Computing Technology Roadmap

The roadmap will define and prioritize USG requirements for interoperability, portability, and security for cloud computing in order to support secure and effective USG adoption of Cloud Computing.

NIST has created the following Working Groups:

Cloud
Computing
Target
Business
Use Cases
Working
Group

Cloud
Computing
Reference
Architecture
Working
Group

Cloud
Computing
Standards
Roadmap
Working
Group

Cloud
Computing
Security
Working
Group

Cloud
Computing
SAJACC
Technical
Use Cases
Working
Group

Cloud Computing
Standards Roadmap
Working Group

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MISSION STATEMENT

NIST Cloud Computing Standards Roadmap Working Group will survey the existing standards landscape for security, portability, and interoperability standards / models / studies / etc. relevant to cloud computing, determine standards gaps, and identify standardization priorities.

Charter

Charter – December 27, 2010

Conveners – Mike Hogan and Annie Sokol

Participation – WG is open to all interested parties

Liaisons – The work of the NIST CC WGs is interrelated and CCSRWG will liaise with the other WGs as needed.

Deliverable – A recommended Cloud Computing Standards Roadmap document

Target Date in Charter – March 31, 2011

Deliverable

The NIST Cloud Computing Standards Roadmap document will serve as an input to the **USG Cloud Computing Technology Roadmap**.

Target Date in Charter – March 31, 2011

Present Target Date – April 30, 2011

Participants & Meetings

- **Email sign-up**

- January 18, 2011: 346
- February 15, 2011: 462
- April 2011: 537 (>250 known organizations – national and globally)

- **Meetings**

- First meeting was January 6, 2011
- Every Thursday afternoon at 1:00 P.M. ET
- Bi-weekly meetings since March 10, 2011 (except April 7)
- Total of 11 meetings
- The number of participants range between 20+ - 40+
- F2F Meeting – January 20, 2011, following DAPS38 meeting
- Use Case Integration Ad hoc group – met for three weeks

Standards Roadmap document

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January 26 – Doc.#21

February 2 – Doc.#29

February 9 – Doc. #36

February 17 – Doc.#40

February 23 – Doc.#42

March 2 – Doc.#48

March 9 – Doc.#52

March 23 – Doc.#56

March 28 – Doc.#60

Comments due
April 11, 2011

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This rest of this presentation is based upon the
Ninth Working Draft
+
**NIST draft comments on the
Ninth Working Draft**

Deliverable - Standards Roadmap Document

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Concept of Operation

1

Apply NIST Cloud Computing definition

2

Leverage the work of NIST Working Groups

3

Build an inventory of standards

4

Map standards to use cases and RA model

5

Determine standards gaps and overlaps

6

Identify USG standardization priorities

7

Recommendations



NIST Definition of Cloud Computing

“Cloud computing is a model for enabling convenient, on-demand network access to a shared pool of configurable computing resources (e.g., networks, servers, storage, applications, and services) that can be rapidly provisioned and released with minimal management effort or service provider interaction.”



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NIST CCSRWG Collaboration Site

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Standards Roadmap

Description

NIST is leading the development of a USG Cloud Computing Roadmap. This roadmap will define and prioritize USG requirements for interoperability, portability, and security for cloud computing in order to support secure and effective USG adoption of Cloud Computing.

Objectives

Cloud computing owes its existence to a sizable collection of standards that have been developed to facilitate communication, data exchange, and security. Still other standards are emerging to focus on technologies that support cloud computing, such as virtualization. Standards Developing Organizations (SDOs) and others have and are developing cloud computing conceptual models, reference architectures, standards roadmaps, etc. The NIST Cloud Computing Standards Roadmap Working Group will leverage this existing, publicly available work, plus the work of the other NIST Working Groups, to develop a NIST Cloud Computing Standards Roadmap that can be incorporated into the USG Cloud Computing Roadmap.

The NIST Cloud Computing Standards Roadmap Working Group will survey the existing standards landscape for security, portability, and interoperability standards/models/studies/etc. relevant to cloud computing, determine standards gaps, and identify standardization priorities.

The primary deliverable will be a recommended Cloud Computing Standards Roadmap document. Supporting deliverables will be developed as necessary.

Mailing List and Meeting Information

It is anticipated that there will be weekly 2-hour meetings by telecon. Propose date and time: Thursdays @1300 to 1500 ET.

The dial-in information for the weekly meeting is as follows:

- Phone: **866-507-7813**
- Passcode: **5949635**

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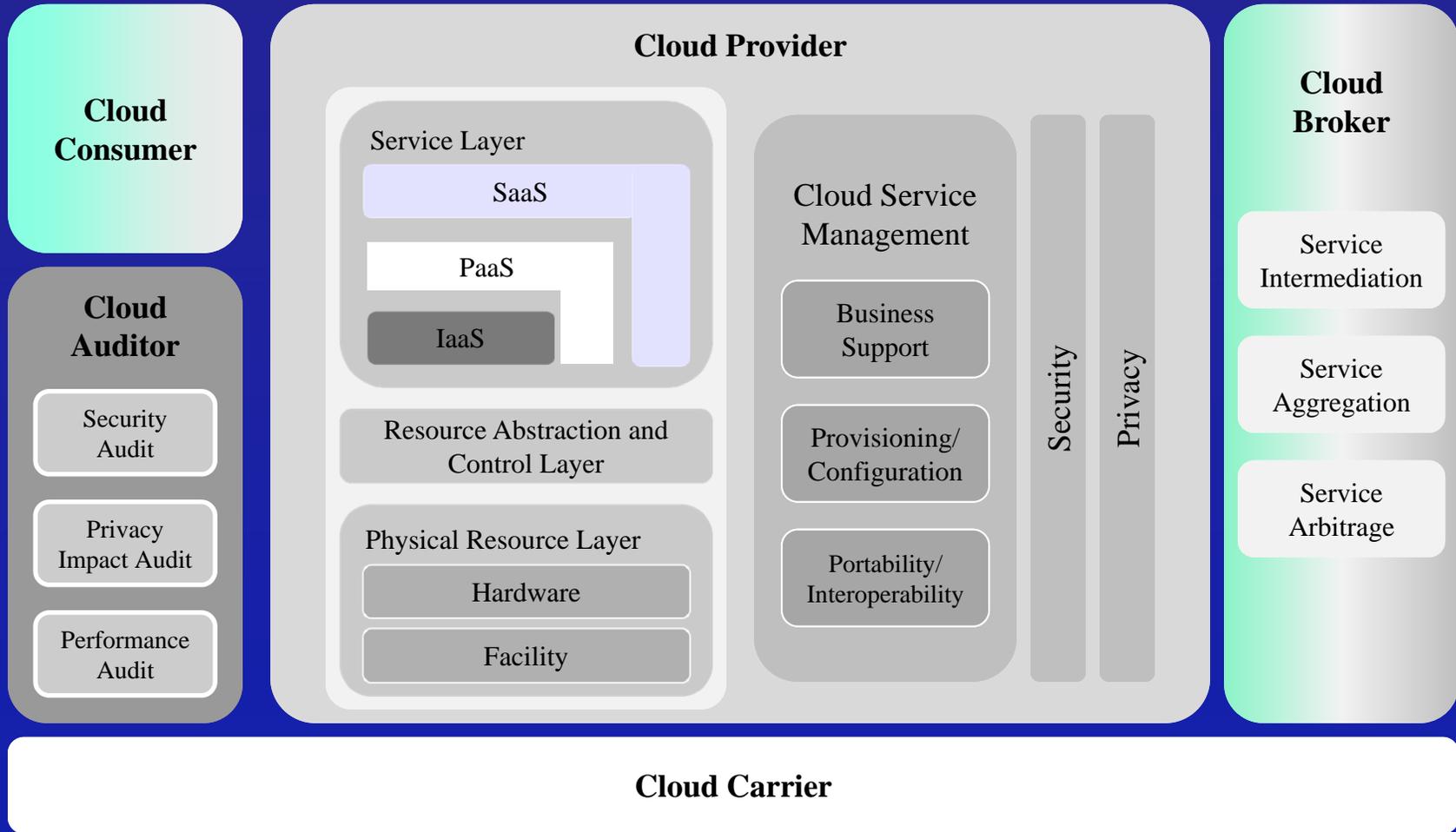
Leverage the work of NIST Working Groups AND Other work





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NIST Cloud Computing Reference Architecture V1.0





Step 3

Inventory of Standards Relevant to Cloud Computing



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Inventory of Standards Relevant to Cloud Computing

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On this page, we gather the highest-level protocols, definitions and standards that are applicable widely to the cloud computing use cases identified elsewhere in this twiki. As the collection grows, our intention is to classify these according to the taxonomic hierarchy defined by the Reference Architecture and Taxonomy group and to supplement this categorization using tags to indicate other areas of applicability for a given standard.

Basic Definitions and Standards

This table gathers references and definitions for a set of underlying features that are common to the retail and generic web-based tools, including those that are not limited to cloud computing.

Name	Developed By	Purpose	Document Info	Standard Status	Categorization	Comments
The Internet Protocol Suite (TCP/IP)	IETF	The Internet Protocol Suite is the set of communications protocols used for the Internet and other similar networks. It is commonly also known as TCP/IP, named from two of the most important protocols in it: the Transmission Control Protocol (TCP) and the Internet Protocol (IP), which were the first two networking protocols defined in this standard.	RFC 675, 12/1974, RFC 1180, 01/1991	Standard/RFC	Transport, Network	
Hypertext Transfer Protocol (HTTP)	Internet Engineering Task Force (IETF), World Wide Web Consortium (W3C)	The Hypertext Transfer Protocol (HTTP) is a networking protocol for distributed, collaborative, hypertext information systems. HTTP is the foundation of data communication for the World Wide Web.	HTTP v1.1, RFC 2616, 06/1999.	Standard/RFC	Transport, Network	
Hypertext Markup Language (HTML)	World Wide Web Consortium (W3C)	HTML is the predominant markup language for web pages. A markup language is a set of markup tags, and HTML uses markup tags to describe web pages.	HTML v4.01, 12/2009.	W3C Recommendation	Data Communication, Data Format	
Extensible Markup Language (XML)	World Wide Web Consortium (W3C)	XML is a set of rules for encoding documents in machine-readable form. XML's design goals emphasize simplicity, generality, and usability over the Internet. It is a textual data format with strong support for a Unicode for the languages of the world. Although the design of XML focuses on documents, it is widely used for the representation of arbitrary data structures, for example in web services.	XML v1.1 2nd ed, 08/2006	W3C Recommendation	Data Communication, Data Format	
Simple Object Access Protocol (SOAP)	The XML Protocol Working Group of the World Wide Web Consortium (W3C)	SOAP is a protocol specification for exchanging structured information in the implementation of Web Services in computer networks. SOAP can form the foundation layer of a web services protocol stack, providing a basic messaging framework upon which web services can be built. SOAP is a strongly-typed variant of XML-based communication that provides a full description of the required actions taken by a SOAP node on receiving a SOAP message. To resolve ambiguities inherent in the specification, this protocol is generally used according to specific restrictions and clarifications encoded into externally documented profiles. (The use of SOAP in web services settings, for example, is carried out in the context of the WS-Interoperability Basic Profile.)	SOAP v1.2, 06/24/2003	W3C recommendation	Data Communication	
Representational State Transfer (REST)	(None)	REST is an architectural pattern for use of application-layer communication in a manner that uses standards, but is not a standard in and of itself. The primary programming paradigm for the use of REST is that access to a global resource returns a representation of that resource, putting the client application into a state. REST accesses and retrieved data can take place over any application-layer protocol and are not limited to HTTP.	N/A	Architectural style	Data communication, state transfer	

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<p>Basic Definitions & Standards</p>	<p>High Level Standards & Definition for Cloud and Web Services</p>	<p>Categorization of Cloud Computing Related Standards</p>	<p>Work-in-Progress</p>
<p>TCP/IP, HTTP, HTML, XML, SOAP, REST, WSDL, SSL/TLS, XML/XMLD, JSON, TRP, DNS, SMTP...</p>	<p>OVF, OCCl, CDMI, SPML, Web services, GridFTP, OAuth, OpenID, WS, WSS, SAML, Frameworkx, XACML,....</p>	<p>Cloud Taxonomy – output from Reference Architecture Working Group...</p>	<p>White papers...</p>

Representational State Transfer (REST) (Note)

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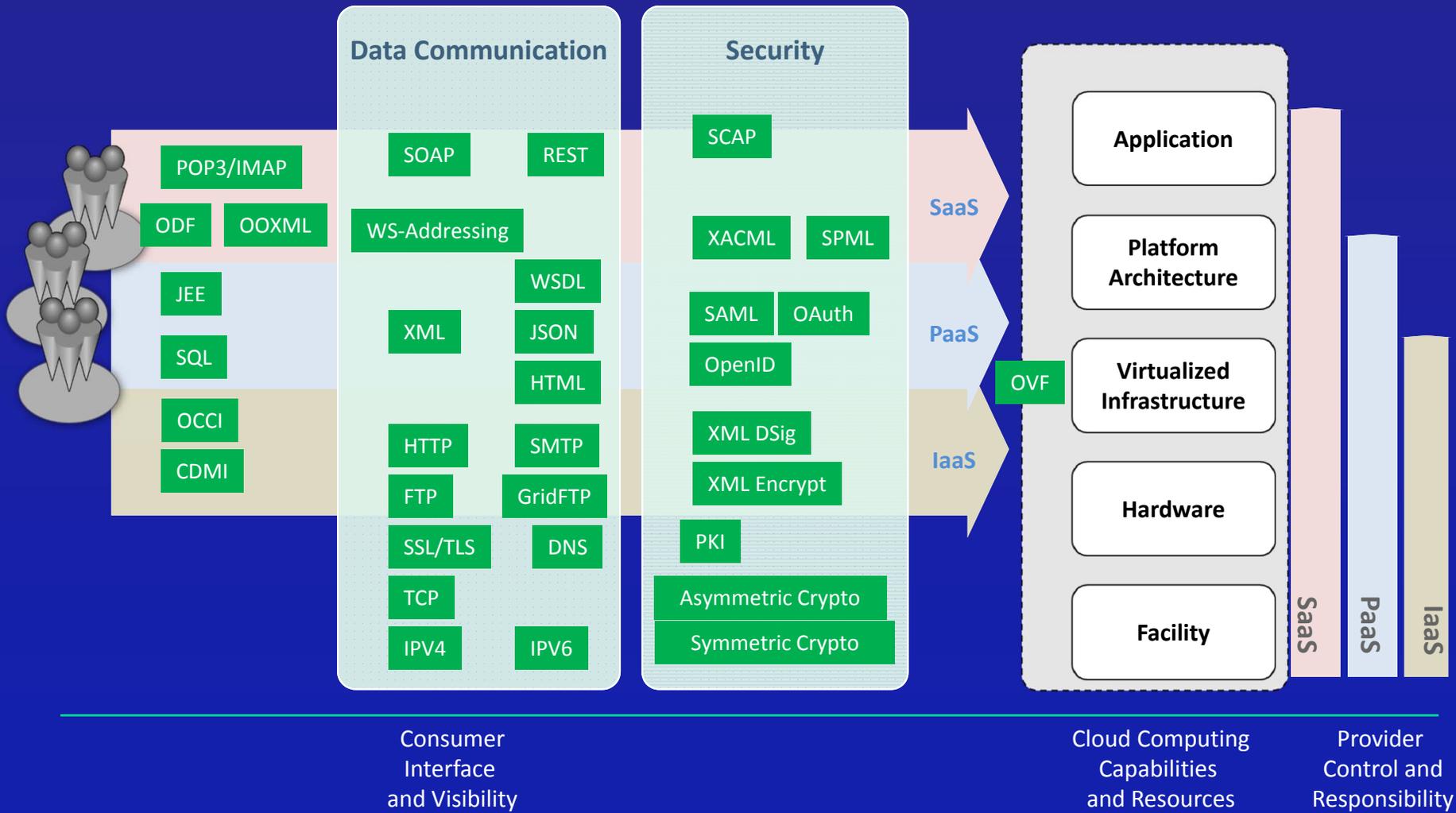
Observations on Inventory

- There are not many *specific* Cloud Computing Standards
 - Open Virtualization Format (OVF)
 - Open Cloud Computing Interface (OCCI)
 - Cloud Data Management Interface (CDMI)
- There are many cloud *relevant* IT standards to leverage



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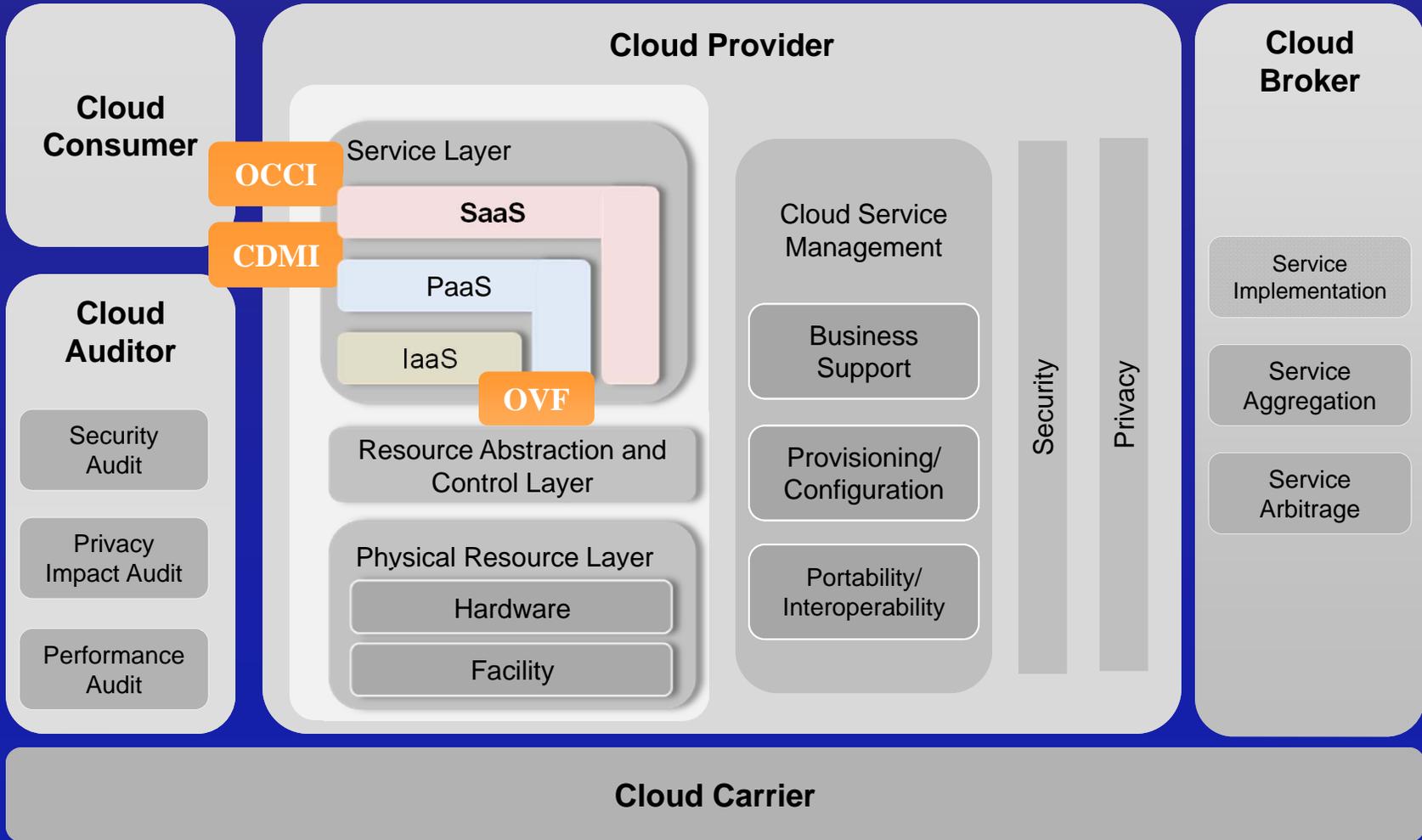
Visualization of the Inventory





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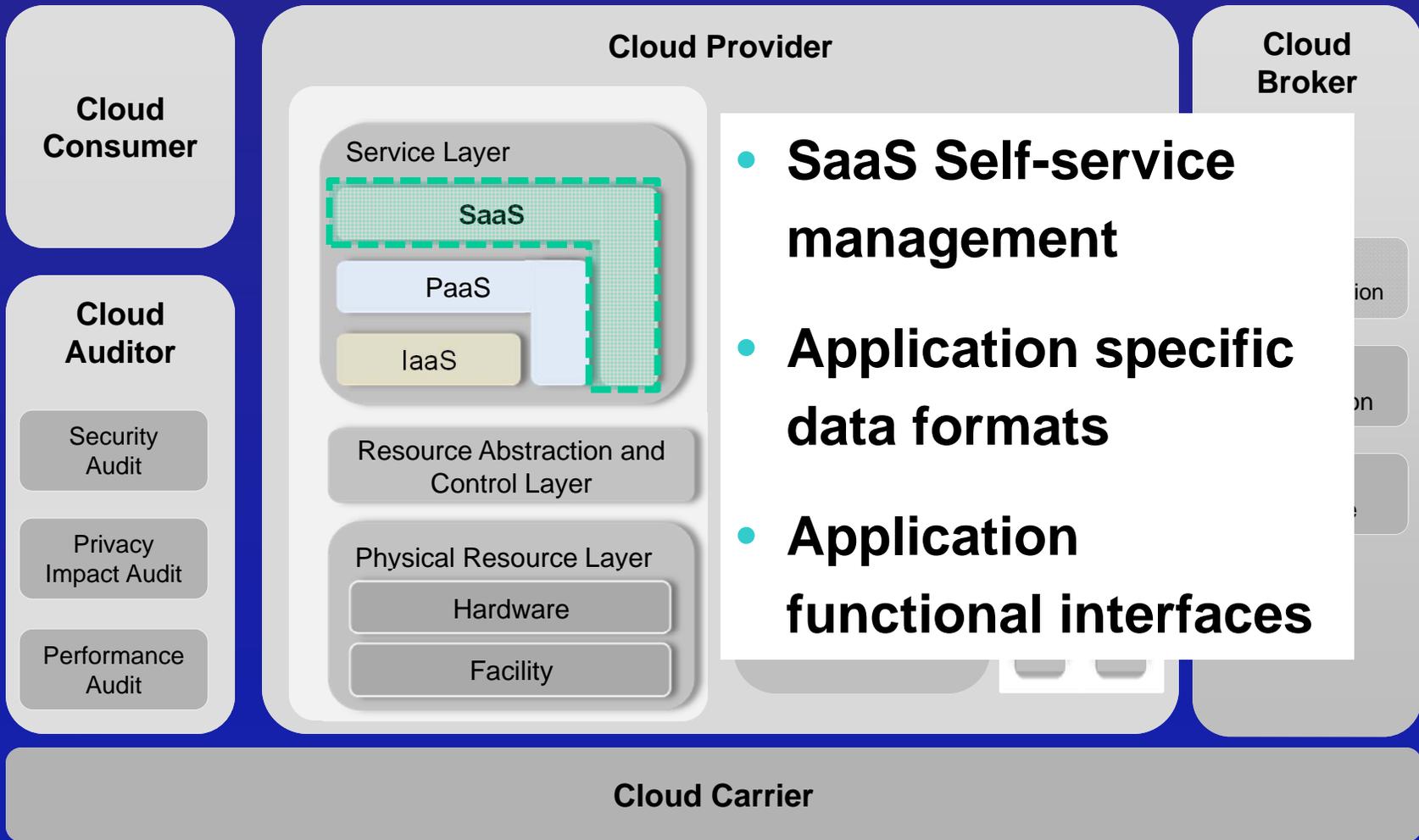
Existing Cloud Computing Specific Standards





Step 5

Cloud Computing Standards Gap Analysis – NIST Contribution





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Cloud Provider

Cloud Broker

- Resource description and discovery
- QoS specification, monitoring, reporting
- SLA specification and negotiation
- Billing and metering

Cloud Service Management

Business Support

Provisioning/ Configuration

Portability/ Interoperability

Security

Privacy

Service Implementation

Service Aggregation

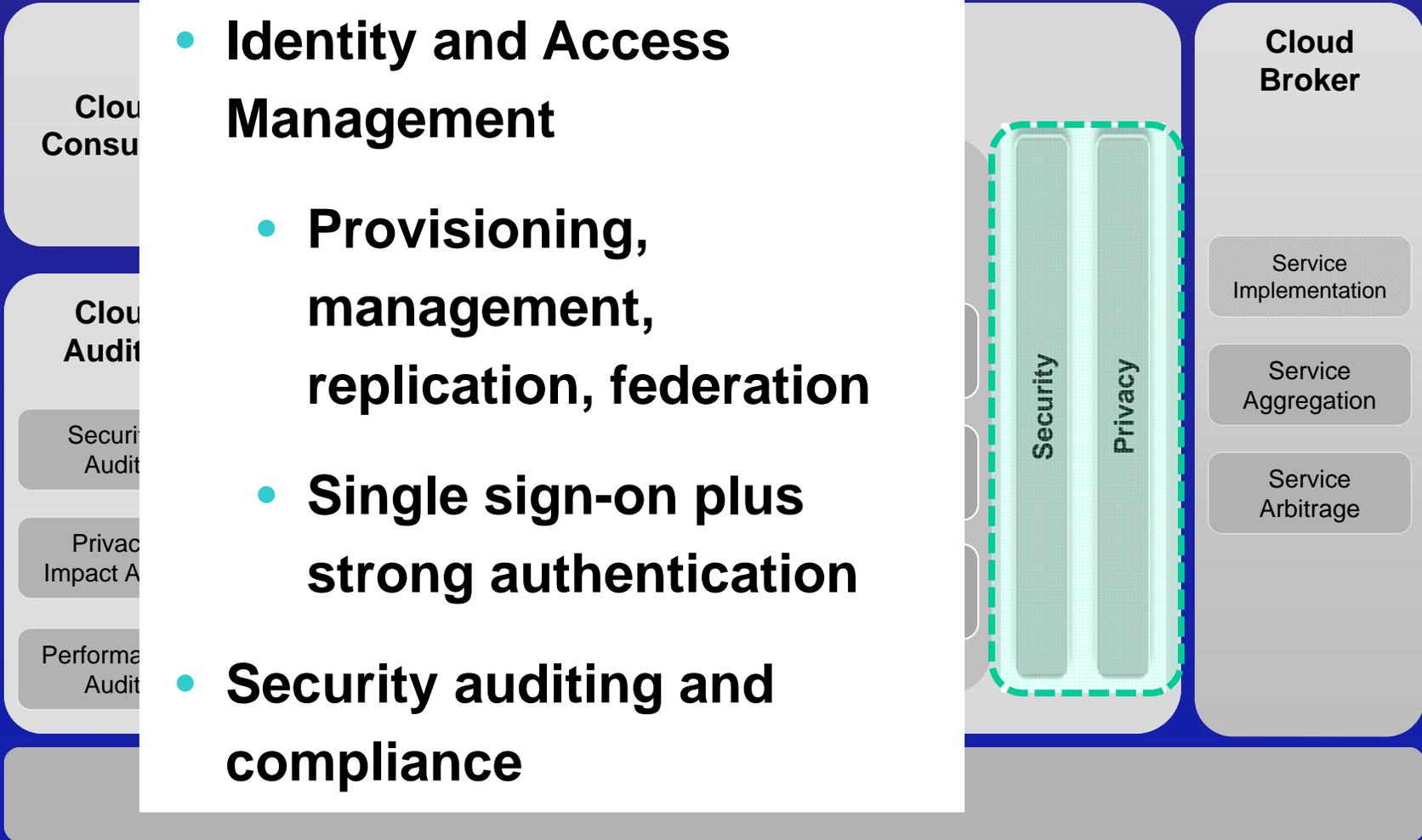
Service Arbitrage

Carrier



Cloud Computing Standards Gap Analysis – NIST Contribution

- **Identity and Access Management**
 - **Provisioning, management, replication, federation**
 - **Single sign-on plus strong authentication**
- **Security auditing and compliance**





USG Priorities

– NIST Contribution

From Analysis of USG Use Cases

- SaaS Self-service management
- **Application specific data formats**
- Application functional interfaces

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- QoS specification, monitoring, reporting
- SLA specification and negotiation
- Billing and metering

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Draft Recommendations

Agencies

- Contribute clear and comprehensive requirements for cloud computing standards projects.
- Participate actively in standards development projects.
- Support the concurrent development of conformity and interoperability assessment schemes.
- Specify cloud computing standards in their procurement and grant guidance.

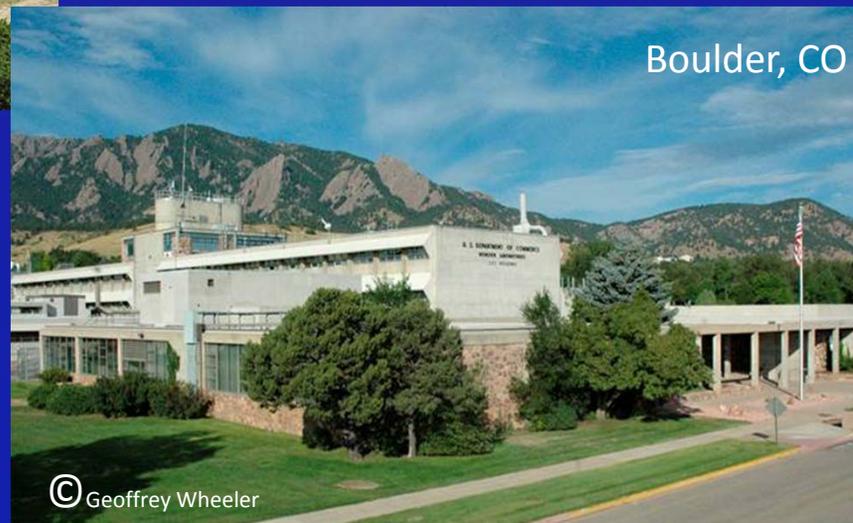
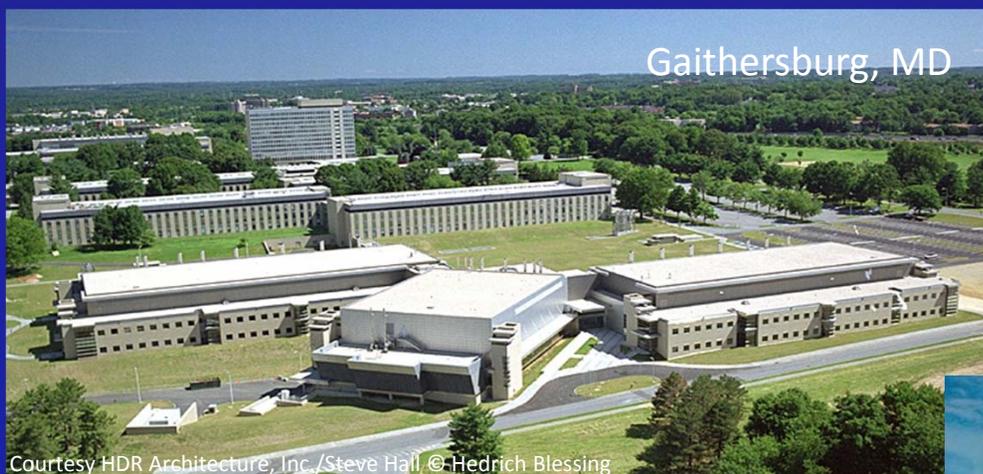


Draft Recommendations

- Recommend specific cloud computing standards and best practices for USG-wide use.

CIO Council Cloud Computing Standards Working Group

QUESTIONS ?



BREAK – 15 MINUTES



10:30 – 10:45